



THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Mitja V. HINDERKS

Serial No.: 08/477,703

Group Art Unit: 3402

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Examiner: N. Kamen

For: AN IMPROVED MEANS FOR TREATMENT OF THE GASES OF
COMBUSTION ENGINES AND THE TRANSMISSION OF THEIR POWER

AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed September 30, 1996, the period for response having been extended for three months by the attached Petition for Extension and fee, applicant submits the following amendments and arguments.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 21-39 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add claims 40-54 as follows:

-- 40. A device for the working of fluids, said device comprising a chamber assembly having a chamber, head and a component reciprocally movable within said chamber, said head and component defining a variable working volume therebetween, said component having an internal passage for passage of fluids to or from said working volume, said working volume being separated from and pierced by said passage. --

-- 41. The device of claim 40, wherein said component defines a port communicating with said passage and said working volume during only a portion of the reciprocation cycle of said component. --